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Ok, lets set the scene. Bored out of my mind, low on funds to buy materials for the props I want to do, but I want to do something, anything! So off to the workshop/shed I go to hopefully find something to do! I was in my workshop basically just starring when I spotted this.



This was supposed to be my 3rd styrofoam pumpkin but since I already had 2 I figured I could use it for something else. Started looking around and realized..... I could build another spider! A good sized one at that. So here I go.



I started reshaping the foam block, took off the bottom layer, trimmed it with foam cutter, and sanded it



I then coated it with monster mud, let it dry. sanded it again. Then I painted it twice with a sanding in between.



Now for the head. I started with a block of foam but after shaping it I didn't like it. So I looked around for something better. I found this.



A very sad looking pumpkin that I salvaged. I was going to clean it up and repaint but hey it will still look good as a spiders head! I peeled the orange skin off and trimmed all but 2 of the ridges/bumps off. Sanded it then did the same steps I did for the body. On to the legs. I used most of what I had left of 1/2, 3/4 pvc to make the legs. In order to get the right lengths i had to cut up what I had into sections, oh well what'cha gonna do!



I took a couple of pieces of dowel rod, ran them through the center of four sections of pvc then glued them together and grabbed the heat gun and bent the ends up.



For the tips of the legs I used the handles of those disposable foam paint brushes. I ground them to points then softened the end of the pvc squeezed it together and glued them in and ground the pvc smooth to match tip.



Here you can see what I did to the head, testing the body fit to the legs, and did some more bending of pvc to make the joints.



I have now finished the legs and testing the fit of the body to the legs again.



I am a bit further along now I have done the 1st coat of paint on the legs and have put eyes and mouth on the face. I did not have my camera nearby so will post finishing pics tomorrow.



BTW In the back and to the right is my spider jumper.



OK, She's almost finished. As I said earlier, I still need to attach pinchers and a little more painting of design, don't know what to add but will think of something.





I had a box of those copper colored ornaments from wallyworld, so I grabbed a couple and cut the eyes from them. Trimmed them a little then glued them on. The mouth I used a couple of those plastic vampire teeth (sold at WW ten to a pack during Halloween). Cut them up into sections and glued them together. glued them on and painted the inside with red and mixed in a little purple. Painted the teeth brown.



The pinchers, I shaved down sections of styrofoam and stuck in tip a couple of teeth from a necklace as the pinchers.



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